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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

PAUL STIROS, ET AL

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For APPARATUS AND METHOD

FOR DEODORIZING

CONFINED SPACES WHICH UTILIZE BAKING SODA

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

-- This is application claims the benefit of the filing date of the following PCT US/00/02907, US/00/03011, US/00/03010, all filed February 2, 2000; applications: US00/05403, filed March 2, 2000; and, US/0013531, filed May 18, 2000.--

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